

## SOME CRUEL AND UNUSUAL

Double Penalty Threatened for Those Who Dared to Interfere With the Wires.

Rotorua has been laughing over the wording of a notice that has been placed by the public works department on some of the electric wire posts on the road to Okere, in New Zealand.

Some time ago a Maori youth, who seemed to have a misguided taste for experimenting, threw a long piece of cable over the electric wires that run to Rotorua from the power station at the Okere falls.

The town was at once plunged in darkness for two or three hours until the mischief had been located.

The dusky and youthful experimenter was carried in the court and fined for his scientific enthusiasm, and the department put up this notice:

"Any persons climbing the electric light poles or damaging the insulators are liable to a fatal shock and a penalty of £10."—Tit-Bits.

### Not for Earthly Ears.

Doctor Reed, a minister, was opening the Sunday morning service at his church with the usual prayer. While he was in the midst of it a stranger entered the church and took a seat far back.

Doctor Reed was praying in a low note, and the man in the rear, after straining his ears for a while, called out: "Pray louder, Doctor Reed. I can't hear you."

Doctor Reed paused, opened his eyes and turned them around until they rested on the man in the rear. Then he said: "I was not addressing you, sir; I was speaking to God."—London Watchdog.

### Decidedly Novel.

Ella—It was a novel proposal.

Stella—What did he say?

Ella—That he begged the proud privilege of getting up mornings to build the fire for me.

### A Sticker.

"Say, pa?"

"What is it?"

"Does it take sixty minute men to make one man of the hour?"

Judging from her passion for hats, how can a woman expect to be happy in heaven and make one halo last her through eternity?

It's humiliating to discover that the folks who we imagine despise us never even think of us!

A man arrested for vagrancy naturally has a pinched look.

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# TALES OF GOTHAM AND OTHER CITIES

## New Yorkers Burrow Down Like Moles



NEW YORK.—A city beneath a city is the only term which can fitly describe underground New York. This buried city has its stores, restaurants, art galleries and other places of business the same as the city of the open air and the blue skies; and many thousands of people work in it daily, heedless of the tide of busy commerce passing far above their heads.

No sooner was the subway opened than stores along its route began building show windows facing on its stations and entrances. The great stores of Brooklyn have made even more of this opportunity than Manhattan. Long and dazzlingly lighted windows flank the stations there. Cates followed the stores in hustling to cut entrances from the subway, realizing that no space need be wasted in this town of precious inches simply because it was underneath the sidewalk. From Ann street down practically every foot of Broadway pavement is laid over hollowed space that is utilized for something. Vaults,

restaurants, rathskellers, wine cellars, bakeries, pressrooms and acres of machinery all are packed beneath the feet of tramping thousands.

Statistics as to the men and women who work below the level of the city's streets would doubtless make interesting and surprising reading. How many thousands of them there are who practically never see the light of day from the time they enter their places of employment early in the morning until they leave at night cannot be known accurately. But certain it is that this mole-like burrowing for more room to work in is increasing with every big building that is raised.

In underground Manhattan there are souls enough to populate whole towns in Jersey and up the state. In the Hudson terminal village alone there are nearly a thousand workers—shopmen, salespeople, demonstrators, barbers, servants of the railroad, messenger boys, telephone girls, waiters, cooks and porters.

All over the city, both day and night, there are more than 50,000 people who do their work under ground, and since Manhattan can only grow upward and downward towers in the air and a city underground seem the only solution of the perplexities of modern development.

## Turk and Potato Bug Cause Wedding

REWSTER, Wash.—A charming romance has ended here in the marriage of Philip Strange and Miss Helen McGraw, the wedding being locally styled a "union of the Washington State Potato King and the Turkey Queen of the Northwest."

Mr. Strange last year sent a special train of forty cars of potatoes to eastern markets—the first exclusive potato train to cross the continent. This year he increased his potato area to 2,500 acres and his crop is in the hundreds of thousands of bushels.

Miss McGraw for years had taught country schools in the vicinity of this town, but two years ago she began to raise turkeys for the market. The land she selected for her turkey ranch adjoined the potato farm of Strange. Here the romance started.

During last summer a scourge of bugs raided the potato fields, and Strange foresaw that unless he fought the bugs his crop would be lost. About this time a drought spoiled the feeding grounds of Miss McGraw's turkey farm. The grass and alfalfa turkey dried up, and the insects accustomed to lurk therein vanished.

Unable to find food at home, the



horde of several thousand half-grown and half-famished turkeys invaded the potato field of the northwest potato king. The potato bugs decreased in number every day as the voracious turkeys advanced through the long straight rows. At night the poultry rested beneath the vines and at daybreak again continued the onslaught against the plague of bugs. When August came, and with it nice warm rains, the potato fields freshened up, and the biggest crop of tubers ever harvested matured.

The turkeys were loath to leave the potato fields, and Miss McGraw and Strange held several councils to plan methods to get the turkeys back to their home land. It was finally decided to let turkeys and potatoes remain on the same farm and the result was the wedding.

## Indian Girl Has \$600 a Week Income



LAWRENCE, Kan.—An income of \$600 a week should be enough for almost any schoolgirl of fourteen, but it is about \$599.75 more than the only Lawrence schoolgirl of that age who draws it ever expends.

A nickel's worth of gum drops, a dime for a pencil or two and 10 cents more for general expenditures usually represent the extravagance of this lass, although she might buy almost anything else she pleased. The young lady of the large income and of the small outgo is Miss Ellen Ellen, an Indian student at Haskell Institute.

At Haskell, the second largest Indian school in the world, there are many girls, perhaps more girls than boys. The parents of many of these children are rich, enormously so, but their riches are not used to buy the things that delight the soul of the paleface.

## Babies Play While the Mothers Pray

COLUMBIA, Mo.—That age-worn problem, "What to do with baby while mamma goes to church," is in process of solution by the women of the Methodist Episcopal church in this city. Under the leadership of Mrs. C. M. Aker, the pastor's wife, the women of the congregation are making enthusiastic progress in the establishment of what might be called the "most unique" of all day nurseries, if that expression were grammatical.

The idea is a Sunday nursery in the church edifice, and the pastor's study has been chosen for this novel institution. During the Sunday school and preaching services those mothers who heretofore have had to explain to Pastor Aker why they attended church so seldom now sit with their classes and in their pews, happy in the consciousness that the youngsters of the household are in good hands, which will prevent them from setting fire to the house, falling off the front porch railing or otherwise endangering their precious little lives.

Miss Loretta Ferguson has been chosen as head nurse, with several



other young women as assistants. Upon arrival at the church mamma places her baby or small child in the care of these young women, who take the tot into the study where Pastor Aker prepares his sermons.

During the services the children must be amused, lest perchance one of them set up a howl calculated to disconcert Rev. Mr. Aker in the midst of his most flowing passage and to distress the particular mamma who may identify the infantile wail.

Miss Ferguson says the plan is working splendidly. Mrs. Aker declares that hereafter if any mamma member of the Methodist church stays away from Sunday services, she will be called upon to do still more explaining than heretofore. Pastor Aker has not been interviewed.

## WESTERN CANADA FARMER SECURES WORLD'S PRIZE FOR WHEAT

A ROSTHERN, SASK., FARMER THE LUCKY WINNER.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy of the Canadian Pacific Railway offered \$1,000 in gold as a prize for the best 100 lbs. of wheat, grown on the American continent, to be competed for at the recent Land Show in New York. In making the competition open, the donor of this handsome prize showed his belief in the superiority of Canadian wheat lands, by throwing the contest open to farmers of all America, both United States and Canada. The United States railways were by no means anxious to have the Canadian railways represented at the show and a New York paper commenting on the results of the competitions says that they were not to be blamed, as the Canadians captured the most important prize of the show.

The winner of this big wheat prize was Mr. Seager Wheeler of Rosthern, Saskatchewan, and its winning has brought a great deal of credit on the district. The winning wheat was the Marquis variety, and received no more attention from Mr. Wheeler than his other grain, but he is a very particular farmer. His farm is one of the cleanest and best kept in the Rosthern district, and this year he won first prize in a good farm competition which included every feature of farming and every part of the farm. Last winter Wheeler was a prize winner at the provincial seed fair in Regina.

Wheeler is a firm believer in sowing clean seed of the best quality procurable, consequently his grain is much sought after by the best farmers for seed purposes.

Wheeler is an Englishman. He is a pioneer of Rosthern, coming here fifteen years ago. In the last six years he has done much experimenting, particularly in wheat varieties. His farm resembles an experimental farm. A long driveway, lined on both sides with trees, leads to a modest house, the home of Wheeler, a modest, unassuming man with the appearance of a student rather than a man engaged in commercial pursuits.

There are now no free homesteads to be had in this district, and farm lands are worth from \$20 to \$40 per acre, which a few years ago were secured by their present owners, either as a free gift or purchased at from \$5 to \$8 per acre.

It is not many miles from Rosthern, where the farmer lives, who secured the first prize for wheat last year at the National Corn Exposition at Columbus and West of Rosthern, about 150 miles, lives Messrs. Hill and Son, who won the Colorado Silver Trophy, valued at \$1,500, for the best peak of oats, also awarded at the National Corn Show at Columbus in 1910.

Not contented with the high honors obtained in its wheat, Canada again stepped forward into the show ring, and carried off the Stillwell trophy and \$1,000 for the best potatoes on the continent. This time the winner was a British Columbia man, Mr. Asabel Smith, the "Potato King," of that province. The exhibit consisted of one hundred and one varieties drawn from all parts of the province aggregating in weight one and a half tons.

At the recent Dry Farming Congress, held at Colorado Springs, and at which time it was decided to hold the next Congress at Lethbridge, in 1912, the Province of Alberta made a wonderful showing of grains, grasses and vegetables.

"At the Congress, Alberta got more prizes and trophies, ten to one, than any state of the Union," said Mr. Hotchkiss to the Edmonton Bulletin. "We brought back all but the building with us, and they offered us that, saying we might as well take all that was going. We would have brought it along, too, if we had had a flat car to put it on. Alberta captured nearly 50 first prizes, 20 seconds, 3 thirds, 9 cups, 40 medals, 60 ribbons and 2 sweepstakes. The grand sweepstakes prize, for the best exhibit by state or province, a magnificent silver cup, was presented to us with much ceremony at a reception to the Canadians in the Empress hotel. The presentation was made by Prof. Olin, chairman of the judging committee, and the cup was received on behalf of the province by the Hon. Duncan Marshall.

### Particular Woman.

"She insisted on having a woman lawyer secure her divorce."

"Why was she so particular?"

"She did not want to go contrary to that portion of the marriage ceremony that reads, 'Let no man put asunder.'"

—Judge.

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**The Bible**  
**The Word of**  
**God**

By Rev. Barry B. Hall, Pastor  
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All that comes from God must be perfect, complete. No so. Both the world and man came from God, and neither is perfect or complete. So the Bible came from God, although parts of it are crude and imperfect. The Bible, like all other things, is the result of development and growth. The patriarchs were in God's school and their ethical code was not completed until Christ came and fulfilled (completed) it. Certainly an ethical code allowing polygamy and 'an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth,' is crude and imperfect. But since Jesus completed that code no man has been able either to add to or take from it. It is the only code of ethics man has ever known that stands unchanged and unchangeable throughout the ages.

There are but two things in the visible world that do not die—an immortal soul and God's word. The Bible is a living thing. The spirit of man is dead, but the spirit of union still lives. So all other ethical codes are either dead or dying, but the words of Jesus, which are increasingly exercising a greater influence over the destiny of both men and nations. Unlike all other books, it never becomes obsolete. All other books but the Bible which are a few hundred years old are obsolete and out of date. The Bible never grows old; it never dies. It is a living, growing thing. It grows on one; the rereading of familiar passages gives new light, and impresses one with the greatness of the book. The more one studies it with a reverent spirit the more its greatness looms up before him, and as his capacity to see more truth grows, the more truth he finds in the word. Every combination of social conditions only draws out of the Word new truth and more light.

All other books flourish best in the language in which they were written, but the Bible flows freely into all molds and lends itself with freedom to every language and dialect. It alone is adapted to all classes and conditions of people. It is a discoverer of the human heart, and reveals all men to themselves. It reveals to all races of men their motives, needs and sins. An educated Hindu, on hearing a passage read from the word, said, "That Book exactly describes us Indians."

The Bible is indestructible. It survives all attempts to destroy it. Yet it is hated as no other book because it condemns man and claims authority over him. Rome tried to burn it, and some of the greatest scholars of all the ages have tried to destroy it, but both alike miserably failed. Thomas Paine thought his "Age of Reason" would put the Bible out of print in fifty years; and thousands thought that Darwin's "Descent of Man" had destroyed it at one stroke, but they were deceived. Darwin really discovered nothing new, for both Moses and Christ were Theistic evolutionists. Evolution does not destroy the idea of a Creator; it only gives the Creator's method of creation.

The Bible stands unapproached as a life-giving book. It awakens dead nations and gives them new life. Christian nations, since the Bible was opened in the sixteenth century, have become responsible for all the world's advancement in science, literature, invention, commerce and discovery. When the open Bible came into Japan she awoke, received new life, arose and defeated Russia, a land without an open Bible. The open Bible has gone into China, and she is at this moment giving birth to a new republic. Laboring men, once but beasts of burden, under the influence of an open Bible, have come to be beasts of burden and have come to be men. The Bible is also a life-transforming book. It revolutionizes the lives of both nations and men. When Titus took Jerusalem, 1,100,000 of the Jewish people were put to the sword, many thousands were sold into slavery, and thousands were sold to make sport by being butchered or torn into pieces in the arena. When America took Cuba and the Philippines she banished yellow fever from the island and established a republic for the people, and in one ship she sent 600 teachers to the Philippines. Certainly a marvelous transformation. And it is also true of the individual; no man can habitually read the book with a reverent spirit without becoming a nobler, a truer and a better man.

Is the Bible the word of God? Have the civilizations of earth ever produced a book that could compare with it; has any other book ever exercised such an influence over the nations of earth; has any other book ever transformed the lives of men as the Bible has; is any other book a living book and indestructible as the Bible? If this book is a book the like of which the civilizations of earth have not and cannot produce, then it was not produced by man alone, and therefore it must be the word of God, given in earthen vessels, to be sure, but the word of God.

### Money.

The higher needs of the soul cannot be satisfied with money.—Charles B. Mitchell, Methodist, Chicago.

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"Where, sir, were you born?" the reporter, as he sharpened his pencil, asked.

"I was born in Pittsburgh," said the millionaire.

"And when did you first—er—see the light of day?"

"When I was nine," the millionaire replied. "My people then moved to Philadelphia."

### Some Undertaking.

The official undertaker of a small town was driving through the county on one of his regular missions. A woman came out to the gate of a farm yard and hailed him.

"I don't seem to recall your name, madam," he said.

"That's funny!" she said. "It ain't been more'n a year and a half ago since you undertook my first husband."

### Above Him.

"You say that she married beneath her?"

"She certainly did; her father was an aviator and her husband a chauffeur."

### THE LITTLE WIDOW

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